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To the Woman Suffrage Party is due some deflected credit for the "registration of women." The amendment to the Defense Council Bill was put through by its president.

LYDIA WICKLIFFE HOLMES, Chairman.

## MAINE

### Woman Suffrage Association

Nineteen-Seventeen has seen a campaign in Maine, the first, after thirty years of effort on the part of Maine suffragists to get a referendum submitted. Suffrage was defeated at the polls, September 10, a little less than two to one in a very light vote. The Association work was directed by the State President, Mrs. Katherine Reed Balentine; the campaign was managed by Mrs. Deborah Knox Livingston. Undaunted by defeat the Maine Association met in convention the week following election and planned its work so as to profit by the lessons of the campaign. Miss Mabel Connor, of Augusta, was elected President. The Association has two distinct aims for the current year: first, to increase suffrage organization in the State several fold; second, to concentrate on Federal Amendment work. War work has been recommended to the local leagues, which are co-operating efficiently with the local Red Cross Chapters.

MABEL CONNOR, President.

## MARYLAND

### Woman Suffrage Association

Legislative work has engaged our deepest interest.

At the special session of the Legislature, called in May, in spite of the Governor's protest, and the same from many politicians, all our enemies, and some friends, we introduced a bill asking for Presidential Suffrage and the vote for the women in the small towns of the State. It did not pass, but we were much encouraged with the results of our two weeks' work, adding six votes to that of the last regular session. Much effort has been spent on the Federal Amendment, and now we have one congressman with us.

Our financial plans have meant much work with little profit.

We had a rummage sale, house warming, card party, supper, strawberry festival, and excursion. The receipts from these efforts, added to personal contributions, have in no way been sufficient to meet our demands, hence we have no assets and some liabilities.